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CALGARY**

January 17 - 18 - 19, 1958

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MEETING OF MANAGERS AND MEMBERS

OF THE ATTRACTIONS AND FIREWORKS COMMITTEES

Sherman Hotel, Chicago

December 1-2-3, 1957

Those present were:

- BRANDON - P. A. McPhail, F. O. Meighen, H. L. Crawford.
CALGARY - M. E. Hartnett, F. C. Manning, H. G. Love, M. A. Dutton
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J. H. Warren.
REGINA - T. H. McLeod, E. J. Courtney.

CHAIRMAN - F. C. Manning, Calgary, President

SECRETARY - Mrs. Letta Walsh, Saskatoon

ABSENT MEMBERS

T. H. McLeod referred to the absence of C. B. McKee, Regina, on account of ill health, and said it was the first Attractions Committee Meeting in Chicago that he had missed. While his health was improving, it was considered unwise for him to make the trip to Chicago this year. The Secretary was instructed to send Mr. McKee a telegram expressing the Association's best wishes and the hope that he would soon completely regain his health.

FIREWORKS

It was agreed that Fireworks presentations would be heard on Tuesday morning, December 3rd.

PRESENTATIONS OF PLATFORM ATTRACTIONS

With Bill Marks, Winnipeg, acting as Sergeant-At-Arms, the following attractions programs were submitted:

1. GUS SUN BOOKING AGENCY - Submitted by Jack Kelly
 - (a) Barbara Ann Scott Revue - Canadian World Figure Skating Champion headlining an outstanding cast of twenty international skaters. A two hour production with intermission. Presentation would include music and two portable ice skating rinks 40' x 60'. Rinks are made of plastic and two days would be needed to set them up.
 - (b) Sam Snyder's Water Follies - World's Greatest Water and Stage Musical Revue. Approximately 35 to 40 members in the cast. There is a large portable pool and diving tank and between these there is a stage. Size of tank - 140' x 65'.

Price of Shows - Would be able to furnish either show for approximately \$13,000.00.

2. WARD BEAM ASSOCIATES, INC. - Submitted by Ward Beam and J. Lonergan

Four Production Numbers - 16 Precision Dancing Girls and 12 Male Singers

Interlude Acts:

- The Winged Victory Chorus - 14 People
- Ted Miller and Smiley - Comedy
- The Amandis - Teeterboard Act - Or
- Gentry's Chimpanzees and Elephants, and Eric Badieton (Roly-Poly)
- Linon - Tramp on a Rope
- Devain Berne Trio - Adagio
- Helene and Howard - Comedy
- Whiz Kids - Unicycle Act
- The Appletons - Apache
- Sis and Sonny - Dancers
- Master of Ceremonies - To be named

Electrical Equipment and Scenery, Costumes, Stage Hands, Manager, 4 Piece Band with Hammond Organ are provided.

Running Time of Show - 1 Hour, 45 Minutes.

Price of Show - \$15,635 - For Calgary, Edmonton, Saskatoon and Regina.
5/6 for Brandon.

Alternate acts offered were: The Ericksons - Balancing; Ross and Ross - Bag Punching; Helmuth Gunther - Juggling Candles; Evers and Dolores - Wire Act; Evy and Everto - Monocycle; Antinucci's Chimps.

3. BOYLE WOOLFOLK AGENCY, INC. - Submitted by John H. Lindahl

Acts Offered Were:

Duke Ellington and His Famous 17 Piece Columbia Recording Orchestra
The Billy Williams Quartet - Coral Recording Artists
The Dyerettes - Internationally-known Dancers
Butterbeans and Susie - Famous Comedy Stars
Yonely - The International Humorist

With the exception of Yonely, this is an all colored show.

Mr. Lindahl said they carried a portable Fiberthin Nylon Bandshell. This is erected with steel poles and guy-lines and protects a 30' x 40' stage area from the elements. It is embraced by wings and banner line for full scenic effect. Public Address System and Operator, Stage Carpenter, Stage Electrician and Manager are provided.

Running Time of Show - 1 Hour, 45 Minutes

Price of Show - \$16,800

4. RINGLING BROS. BARNUM & BAILEY CIRCUS - Submitted by H. Werner Buck

Mr. Werner Buck stated that the Circus could now be staged inside and offered to stage it on the Circuit Grandstands, furnishing stage hands, equipment, musicians, etc. for the first \$7,500.00 per day of revenue, the Exhibition to take the next \$1,000.00 and pay its own expenses, thereafter the split to be fifty-fifty.

5. AL DOBRITCH ENTERPRISES & WILLARD ALEXANDER, INC. - Submitted by Al Dobritch, W. Alexander and Jack Arthur

Three Production Numbers - Produced and staged by Mrs. Jack Arthur, Toronto. 24 All Canadian Dancing Girls

Interlude Acts:

Tscheng Sisters and Brother - Acrobatic Act
Three Bragazzis - Singing, Comedy Pantomime
Three Goetschis - Unicycle Act
Piet Van Brechts - Comedy Contortionist
Sciplini Chimps - 6 Chimps
Master of Ceremonies

Musical Conductor, Trumpeter, Drummer, Organ and Organist are provided, as well as Scenery, Carpenter, Electrician, P. A. System and Operator.

Price of Show - \$73,000 for five consecutive weeks.

6. MCA ARTISTS, LTD. - Submitted by Eldred O. Stacy

Mr. Stacy said that he felt the Canadian Class "A" Circuit had outgrown the typical old-time Fair Revue, and that personality should be injected into each show, using one or more name entertainers. He offered the following:

Dennis Day - Recording and Motion Picture Star
Roger Williams - Pianist
June Taylor Dancers - 24 Girls
Three unnamed acts - to be worked into the production

The scenery would be spectacular and especially built for the show after consultation with June Taylor about design.

Price of Show - \$25,682.54 - Plus 15% to cover production expense and commission
For Calgary, Edmonton, Saskatoon and Regina
5/6 for Brandon.

Above price arrived at as follows:

Dennis Day - \$7,500.00
Roger Williams - \$3,000.00
June Taylor Dancers - \$5,750.00
Scenery, Lights, Transportation, Stage Hands and Sound Man - \$6,332.54
Musicians - \$850.00
3 Acts @ \$750.00 Each - \$2,250.00

7. GAC-HAMID, INC. - Submitted by Ernie Young

Four Production Numbers - With the Manhattan Rockets - 24 Girls
and a Singing Trio

Interlude Acts:

The Ramses - Arabian Tumblers
Yokoi Troupe - Bicycle Act
The Trio Cottis - Adagio Act (3 People and 2 Great Dane Dogs)
Jack Durant - Comedy Star
Four Step Brothers - Dancers
Tuffy - Bear Act
Tulara Lee - Comedy
Master of Ceremonies - Art Matthews

Mr. Young suggested that they would place the entire band on the stage instead of in the pit and would furnish a plastic canopy to protect the musicians from inclement weather. A sign outlining the acts to be presented on the Grandstand platform would be placed outside the Grandstand gates so that the public would know what was going on.

Scenic and Lighting Equipment, Loud Speaking Equipment and Sound Operator, Carpenter and Electrician are provided.

The Exhibition Association is to furnish band or orchestra, GAC-HAMID, INC. to provide Musical Conductor, together with Hammond Organ and Organist, and two leads.

Stage Hands - Each Exhibition is to furnish seven.

Running Time of Show - 1 Hour, 45 Minutes

Price of Show - \$17,500 - For Calgary, Edmonton, Saskatoon and Regina
5/6 for Brandon

Alternate acts offered were: The Wirengards - Aerial Thriller; Florida Trio - Novelty Pantomime; The Cathalas Duo - Perch Pole Balancing; Roger Ray - Comedy; Aletha and Aldena - Novelty.

8. L. N. FLECKLES & COMPANY - Submitted by L. N. Fleckles

Four Production Numbers - With The Dorothy Dorben Dancers (20 Girls)

Interlude Acts:

The Amandis - Teeterboard Act
Linon - Tramp on a Rope
Antonucci's Chimps
The Harmonicats - Recording Stars
The Fabulous Berrys - Roller Skating and Hill-Billy Singing
Preston Foster, Sheila D'Arcy and Stephanie - Singing and Comedy
Sandy The Seal
The Zacchinis - Cannon Act
Master of Ceremonies - George Stover

Complete Scenic Equipment, Carpenter, Electrician, Stage Hands, P. A. System and Operator are provided.

The Exhibition Association is to furnish band or orchestra, L. N. FLECKLES & CO. to provide Musical Director and three key men, together with Hammond Organ and Organist.

Stage Hands - Each Exhibition is to furnish seven.

Running Time of Show - 1 Hour, 30 to 45 Minutes

Price of Show - Approximately \$17,000 - For Calgary, Edmonton, Saskatoon and Regina. 5/6 for Brandon.

Alternate acts offered were: Reg Kehoe & His Marimba Queens; Cresso's Rocket Car; Malone Sisters and Moran - Singers; Gold Dust Twins - Banjo Comedy Patter and Dancing; The Therons - Cyclists.

9. CHARLES ZEMATER THEATRICAL AGENCY - Submitted by Charles Zemater

Four Production Numbers - With Claire Estelle Dancers (16 Girls)

The Jeffrys - Novelty
Paramount Bears
Whitey Roberts - M.C. and Comedy Act (Or Dick Ware)
The Incredible Erikson's - Balancing Act
Al Verdi - Musical - Pantomime Comedy
The Sons of Morrocco - Tumbling Act
Hawthorn's Leopards and White Shepherds
Linon - Tramp on a Rope
Betty & Benny - Aerial Act

Complete Sound System, Scenery, Orchestra, including Hammond Organ, to be furnished.

Stage Hands - Each Exhibition is to furnish seven.

Running Time of Show - 1 Hour, 45 Minutes.

Price of Show - \$15,500. - For Calgary, Edmonton, Saskatoon and Regina.
5/6 For Brandon.

Alternate acts offered were: The Great Adano - Master Escape Artist; Prince El Ki Gordo - Trainer of Jungle Beasts; Baraneks Dancing Dogs; Reduenko Brothers - Jugglers.

Mr. Zemater also offered a Hawiian Show, imported directly from Hawaii. There would be four production numbers with 45 people, including Hula Dancers, Etc. The show would have 6 Hawiian acts and 3 American acts. Price of this show would also be \$15,500 for Calgary, Edmonton, Saskatoon and Regina, and 5/6 for Brandon.

10. HETZER'S THEATRICAL AGENCY - Submitted by J. T. Hetzer

Five production numbers - With 30 Dancers (24 Girls and 6 Men)
and 6 Ochsenhirt Singers.

Interlude Acts:

Walker Dick's International Diving Champions (10 People)
Evers & Delorez - Wire Act
Penny The Seal
Hanlon & Clark - Comedy
The Julindas - Acrobatic Novelty
The Florida Trio - Comedy
The Oswino's - Foot Jugglers
Master of Ceremonies - Walter Dick

Hetzer's Theatrical Agency will provide Musical Director and Key Musicians, the Exhibition Associations to provide the required number of local musicians.

Especially designed, new Scenery, Portable Water Tank for the International Diving Champions, Sound Equipment, Stage Manager, Electrician and Wardrobe Mistress will be provided.

The show will be under the personal direction of Mr. Russell Markert, Producer of Radio City Music Hall. Mr. Hetzer will travel with and personally supervise the entire production.

Running Time of Show - 1 Hour, 45 Minutes

Price of Show - \$17,200 - For Calgary, Edmonton, Saskatoon and Regina
5/6 for Brandon

As an extra added attraction, Mr. Hetzer offered "The Floating Marvels" - four sensational Aerialists performing under two beautifully decorated balloons. This extra act would cost \$2,500.00.

Alternate acts offered were: Barnette's Aerial Ballet; The Great Alexis - European Thrill Attraction; Armandis Teeterboard Act; Hardner Spiral Globe; and Tombelli - Head Balancing Artist.

11. AL SHEEHAN, INC. - Submitted by Preston Lambert

(a) "Happy Holidays" - Three Production Numbers - 16 Dancers

Interlude Acts:

Seven Lucky Girls - Flash Acrobatics
Lanero's Performing Pigs
West & Maza - Audience Participation
Franklin & Astrid - Mexican Equilibrists
Four Whiz Kids - Unicycle Act
Johnny O'Brien - Comedian with Harmonica
Zacchini's Cannon
Master of Ceremonies - Jack Pyle

Price of Show - \$16,600.00

(b) "Aqua Frolics" - Three Production Numbers

Interlude Acts:

Seven Lucky Girls; Olympic Diving Champions; West & Maza;
Franklin & Astrid; Four Whiz Kids; Johnny O'Brien.

Price of Show - Under \$20,000.00.

12. BARNES-CARRUTHERS THEATRICAL ENTERPRISES, INC. - Submitted by F. Kressmann

- (a) "West-O-Rama" - A dramatic new type of outdoor theatrical presentation. Scenic structure is a giant three-dimensional representation of a Western Frontier town. Horses, wagons and other vehicles are used as color background and for entrances and bits of business during the show. There are 75 to 100 people in the Cast, including Dancers, Singers, Cowboys, Stunt Men, Etc.

There are four production numbers, with the following Acts:

Don Rice - Talking Comedy
5 Wades - Musical Revue
Takeo Usui - Thrill Act
Klaussers Bears
Conlin & Ryan - Musical Comedy
Busehbm's Horses - 7 Horse Liberty Act
Gary Strong & Company - Rope Spinners
Western T.V. Personality

Price of Show - \$17,000 - For Calgary, Edmonton, Saskatoon and Regina
5/6 for Brandon

- (b) "Exhibition Revue of 1958" - With The Paul Haakon Dancers

There are four production numbers, with the following Acts:

Dolinoff & Raya Sisters - Acrobats
Tulara Lee - Comedy
Antar Troupe - Tumbling Act
Kings & Queens - High Act
Konyots Chimps
Roger Ray - Musical Comedy Act
Master of Ceremonies - Nip Nelson

Price of Show - \$16,000 - For Calgary, Edmonton, Saskatoon and Regina
5/6 for Brandon

Complete Scenic Equipment, Carpenter, Electrician, Stage Hands, P. A. System and Operator are provided.

The Exhibition Association is to furnish band or orchestra, BARNES-CARRUTHERS THEATRICAL ENTERPRISES, INC. to provide Musical Director and three key men, together with Hammond Organ and Organist.

Stage Hands - Each Exhibition is to furnish seven.

Alternate acts offered were: Jimmy Byrnes & Patty - Dance Team; Poppoff-Theddy and Company - Comedy Musicians; Ming & Ling - Chinese Hillbillies; Estelle Sloan - Dancer.

AWARDING OF CONTRACT

After a lengthy discussion, when the merits of all programs submitted were considered, it was agreed that the contract be awarded to Hetzer's Theatrical Agency, the program to include the following acts:

Walker Dick's International Diving Champions; Evers & Delorez; Hanlon & Clark; The Julindas; The Florida Trio; The Oswino's, and a Chimp Act - in place of Penny The Seal.

With the change in the act from Penny The Seal to the Chimps, there was \$250.00 added to the contract of \$17,000.00, the price to be reduced by the amount the Chimp Act would cost less than \$750.00.

FIREWORKS

Presentations for Fireworks programs were made by H. T. Hand, of T. W. Hand Fireworks Company, Ltd., Cooksville, Ont.; Joseph J. Godin, of Interstate Fireworks Manufacturing and Display Company, Springfield, Mass.

Mr. Jack Duffield, of Thearle-Duffield Fireworks Company, Chicago, said that his firm had on some previous occasions had the pleasure of serving the Western Canada Fairs and they would be very pleased to serve them in 1958. However, the budgets provided by the various Fairs for Fireworks fluctuated and that posed a problem when trying to submit a program. Mr. Duffield said that he would be very happy to prepare individual programs for each of the Fairs should they decide to favor his firm with the business.

After discussion, it was agreed that, subject to the changes that each Fair required, the Fireworks contract be awarded to the T. W. Hand Fireworks Company Ltd. of Cooksville, Ont.

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APPRECIATION

The meeting adjourned.

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ANNUAL MEETING

PALLISER HOTEL, CALGARY

January 17-18-19, 1958

Delegates present were:

BRANDON - P. A. McPhail, F. O. Meighen, H. L. Crawford, J. I. Moffatt,
A. C. Kirkpatrick.

CALGARY - F. C. Manning, H. G. Love, C. M. Baker, C. W. Adams, E. D.
Adams, P. J. Rock, C. C. Cross, M. R. Boake, J. A. Grogan,
Charles Kennedy, Tom Hall, Fred Maxie, Frank Mirtle, J. W. G.
MacEwan, Dr. Howard P. Wright, I. V. Parslow, I. W. Parsons,
Walter L. Ross, D. T. McKillop, Dick Cosgrave, Max McAra.

EDMONTON - A. J. Anderson, L. P. Bromham, L. E. Wilson, E. I. Clarke,
Wm. Muir, W. J. Connelly, L. S. Williams.

SASKATOON - S. N. MacEachern, Dr. V. E. Graham, R. H. Howes, A. M. Mc-
Intyre, J. H. Warren, Dr. F. G. Salisbury, C. C. T. Robertson.

REGINA - T. H. McLeod, Alex. Aitken, E. J. Courtney, G. B. Grant,
F. G. England, L. A. Doan, W. A. Thomson, C. Harlton.

MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Friday, January 17, 1958

10.00 a.m.

CHAIRMAN - F. C. Manning, Calgary, President

SECRETARY - Mrs. Letta Walsh, Saskatoon

1. WELCOME TO DELEGATES

The President extended a cordial welcome to all of the delegates attending the meeting and hoped they would enjoy their stay in Calgary and the excellent weather prevailing. He introduced F. G. England and C. M. Baker, Honorary Presidents, and E. I. Clarke, Vice-President of the Association, who were seated at the table.

2. ABSENT MEMBERS

Mr. T. H. McLeod brought greetings from C. B. McKee, Regina, who was unable to attend the meeting. Mr. McLeod said he had talked with Mr. McKee before leaving Regina for the meeting and had found him feeling very much better, after a period of illness, but instructions from his Doctor were that he take it easy. Mr. McKee, he said, would look forward to meeting everyone at the mid-summer meeting.

3. ENTERTAINMENT

Charles Kennedy, a Director of the Calgary Exhibition, advised the delegates that they were invited to be the guests of Mr. J. B. Cross, of the Calgary Brewing and Malting Company at a Buffet Dinner at 6 o'clock that evening. On Saturday, at 8 a.m. they were to be the guests of the Calgary Exhibition and Stampede at a Western Breakfast, in the Sun Parlour of the Palliser Hotel, and at 5 p.m. they were to be taken on a Tour of the Agricultural Building on the Exhibition Grounds, to be followed at 6 p.m. by Cocktails and Dinner in Fort Calgary House. Tickets for the Hockey Game in the Stampede Corral would be available to those interested.

4. APPROVAL OF PROGRAM

The Program prepared for the meeting was approved, on motion of J. H. Warren and Wm. Muir.

5. ADVERTISING OF MEETING

The Chairman reported that the regular advertisements regarding the Annual Meeting had been carried in The Billboard and the Greater Show World, and that the usual notice had been sent to the members.

6. MINUTES OF MEETING

It was agreed, on motion of A. M. McIntyre and P. A. McPhail, that the Minutes of the mid-summer meeting held at Regina on August 1, 1957, be adopted.

7. REPORT OF MEETINGS OF MANAGERS

A. J. Anderson, Edmonton, stated that only two meetings had been held and these had dealt mostly with matters that concerned racing.

8. REPORT OF ATTRACTIONS COMMITTEE MEETING, CHICAGO

The Chairman reported on the Attractions and Fireworks Committee Meetings held at Chicago, December 1-2-3, 1957. Twelve booking agencies had submitted programs for attractions at the 1958 Class "A" Fairs and the contract had been awarded to Hetzer's Theatrical Agency, of Huntington, West Virginia. Three Fireworks firms had presented programs and the Fireworks contract had been awarded to the T. W. Hand Fireworks Company, Ltd., of Cooksville, Ont. On motion of A. M. McIntyre and F. O. Meighen, the report was adopted.

9. FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Copies of the audited statement for 1957, showing a balance of \$701.89 in the bank at the close of the fiscal year, were submitted to the members. It was agreed, on motion of J. H. Warren and E. J. Courtney, that the statement be approved.

10. APPOINTMENT OF SERGEANTS-AT-ARM

It was agreed, on motion of A. M. McIntyre and T. H. McLeod, that the Marks Brothers be named Sergeants-At-Arm for the 1959 Convention.

11. APPOINTMENT OF STANDING COMMITTEES

The following Standing Committees were approved on motion of L. P. Bromham and H. G. Love:

<u>ATTRACTIONS</u>	-	Brandon	-	F. O. Meighen, H. L. Crawford
		Calgary	-	H. G. Love, I. W. Parsons
		Edmonton	-	W. J. Connelly, E. I. Clarke
		Saskatoon	-	A. M. McIntyre, S. N. MacEachern
		Regina	-	G. B. Grant, Alex. Aitken

MIDWAY AND CONCESSIONS

	-	Brandon	-	J. I. Moffatt, F. O. Meighen
	-	Calgary	-	F. Mirtle, Max McCara
	-	Edmonton	-	W. Muir, A. J. Anderson
	-	Saskatoon	-	J. H. Warren, S. N. MacEachern
	-	Regina	-	F. G. England, W. A. Thomson

LIVESTOCK - Brandon - J. I. Moffatt, P. A. McPhail
Calgary - E. J. Rock, M. R. Boake
Edmonton - L. E. Wilson, L. Bromham
Saskatoon - Dr. V. E. Graham, C. C. T. Robertson
Regina - Chas. Harlton, L. A. Doan

RACING

Calgary	-	I. V. Parslow, E. D. Adams
Edmonton	-	L. S. Williams, A. J. Anderson
Saskatoon	-	Dr. F. G. Salisbury, A. M. McIntyre
Regina	-	E. J. Courtney, T. H. McLeod

12. CHAIRMEN STANDING COMMITTEES

The following were named Chairmen of the Standing Committees at a meeting of the Managers held immediately after the Executive Committee Meeting:

Attractions - Wm. Muir, Edmonton
Midway and Concessions - E. J. Courtney, Regina
Livestock - P. A. McPhail, Brandon (T. H. McLeod, Regina, Secretary)
Racing - Chas. Kennedy, Calgary (I. W. Parsons, Calgary, Secretary)

13. APPOINTMENT OF RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

It was agreed, on motion of H. G. Love and Wm. Muir, that A. M. McIntyre and F. O. Meighen constitute a Resolutions Committee.

14. CORRESPONDENCE

(a) The following letter from Mr. C. B. McKee, Regina, was read by the President:

"It was with deep emotion that I read the telegram, on the afternoon of December 2nd, which the delegates attending the Attractions Meeting in Chicago so kindly and thoughtfully sent to me containing their regards and best wishes for my continued good health.

"They will appreciate what a difficult decision it was for me to make in foregoing attendance at the Chicago meeting as I have always thoroughly enjoyed our contacts there, as well as the lively discussions which have annually taken place regarding attractions. I knew that Regina would be well represented, however, in the persons of President Jack Courtney and Manager Tommy McLeod.

"To be thought of by my many friends, as evidenced by the good wishes contained in their telegram, made me feel very happy and I hope that I shall be spared to enjoy their friendship for many years to come.

"Would you kindly convey to the Executive of the Western Canada Association of Exhibitions, when it meets in Annual Convention in Calgary in January, my sincere thanks for the gracious and cordial message sent to me from Chicago."

(b) A letter from the Alberta Safety Council, Edmonton, Alta., with reference to a Western Farm Safety Conference being organized for January 30-31, at the Jubilee Auditorium in Edmonton, was read by the President. It was agreed, on motion of A. J. Anderson and P. A. McPhail, that this letter be referred to the Livestock Committee.

(c) A letter from Mr. Claude B. Main, President of the Red River Exhibition Association, Winnipeg, Man., making application for membership in the Western Canada Association of Exhibitions was read by the President. It was agreed, on motion of H. G. Love and T. H. McLeod, that this be left for discussion at the General Meeting at 2 p.m.

15. ANNUAL APPROVAL OF ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

It was moved by G. B. Grant and Dr. F. G. Salisbury that the Pacific National Exhibition, Vancouver, be approved as an Associate Member for the year 1958.

16. BADGES

The President reported that the King Show Print, Estevan, Sask., through the courtesy of Mr. Bill King, had again supplied the delegates with badges for the Convention. It was agreed, on motion of J. H. Warren and H. L. Crawford, that a letter of appreciation be sent to Mr. King by the Secretary.

17. ADJOURNMENT

It was agreed, on motion of A. J. Anderson and H. G. Love, that the meeting adjourn.

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OPENING GENERAL SESSION

Friday, January 17, 1958

2.00 p.m.

CHAIRMAN - President F. C. Manning, Calgary

SECRETARY - Mrs. Letta Walsh, Saskatoon

1. WELCOME TO DELEGATES AND VISITORS - AND INTRODUCTIONS

The President extended a warm welcome to all those attending the first general session of the Convention and the following visitors were introduced by Patrick B. Marks, Sergeant-At-Arms:

R. E. Stewart, R. C. Leatherdale and S. C. Millett, of the Red River Exhibition Association, Winnipeg, Man.; Carl J. Sedlmayr, Carl J. Sedlmayr, Jr. and Bob Lohmar, of Royal American Shows, Tampa, Fla.; Hugh T. Hand, of T. W. Hand Fireworks Company, Cooksville, Ont.; Jim Arnott, Western Canada Racing Association, Winnipeg, Man.; Art Fraser, A. K. Stewart and C. G. Jordan, of the Canadian Pacific Railways; J. S. Stephen and Earl Bell, of the Canadian National Railways.

2. DECEASED MEMBERS

The President referred, with sincere regret, to the passing of W. A. Crawford-Frost, a Director and Past President of the Calgary Exhibition, and A. H. Browne, a Director of the Saskatoon Exhibition, since the last annual meeting of the Association.

3. GREETINGS

A telegram from E. D. McGugan, President of the Canadian Association of Exhibitions, wishing the delegates a successful Convention was read by the President.

4. MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE MEETING

It was agreed, on motion of S. N. MacEachern and Alex. Aitken, that the report of the Executive Committee Meeting held earlier in the day be adopted.

5. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The following report was given by the President, F. C. Manning, Calgary:

"It is pleasant to be able to report that every Exhibition on our Circuit enjoyed one of its most successful years in 1957. Extreme heat had to be combated at one or two Fairs and rain cut into the attendance at one or two others but all came through with flying colors.

I was fortunate enough to see all but two of the Exhibitions on our Circuit and was also able to visit six large Fairs in Eastern Canada and the United States.

Some of these Fairs have large and elaborate exhibition plants and with plentiful governmental assistance are able to present to the public many outstanding features. However, I returned home firm in my belief that this closely knit Circuit of the Western Canada Association of Exhibitions is almost unique on the North American Continent. The manner in which we conduct our business in close co-operation with one another has set an example which might well be followed out elsewhere. Reference must also be made to the high quality of management and administration which is apparent in the operations of all of our members.

The quality of the 1957 platform show, provided by the GAC-Hamid Corporation under the direction of Ernie Young, was well received in most quarters. It is felt that the 1958 show, which will be produced by the James T. Hetzer Theatrical Agency, will also be of excellent quality and will provide something just a little different to what we have had in the past. The Midway of the Royal American Shows again showed great drawing power throughout the Circuit.

It has been an honour and a great source of pleasure for me to serve as your President for the past year. All of you have extended to me your support when it was needed and your courtesy at all times. Mrs. Walsh has, as always, performed her duties as Secretary with efficiency, tact and courtesy.

May I thank you again for electing me to this important office and may I extend my best wishes to the incoming President and to all of the members of our Association for the coming year."

6. AMENDMENT TO CRIMINAL CODE RE LOTTERIES

S. N. MacEachern read a copy of a letter from George Perley-Robertson, Solicitor for the Canadian Association of Exhibitions, to Emery Boucher, Secretary of the Canadian Association of Exhibitions, which gave the latest information on Amendments to the Criminal Code re Lotteries. Mr. MacEachern stated that Mr. Perley-Robertson's letter would seem to indicate that he understood quite clearly the position of Exhibitions insofar as Lotteries were concerned. All briefs presented to the Federal authorities had stated that Exhibitions wanted any new amendments to the Code re Lotteries to continue the privileges which Exhibitions presently enjoyed of conducting lotteries, bingos, games of chance, etc., on their grounds during the period of their Exhibition and, in addition, to clarify the position of lotteries on the advance sale of tickets. At the present time, some provinces regarded this lottery as legal, under a present section of the Criminal Code, while other provinces regarded lotteries on the advance sale of tickets illegal. Briefs presented to the authorities had asked for a clarification of the situation by expressly stating that lotteries on the advance sale were legal.

It was agreed that the Executive of the Western Canada Association of Exhibitions should keep in close touch with the matter and if necessary, in order to make their stand clear, be authorized to make written representations to the proper authorities and, if the situation demanded it, send a delegation to discuss the matter with the authorities.

7. C.A.P.A.C. (Composers, Authors and Publishers Association of Canada Ltd.)

Mr. MacEachern stated that the matter of the fees paid by Exhibitions to C.A.P.A.C. had been before our Convention for a good many years. Representations were made to the Ilsley Royal Commission by the Canadian Association of Exhibitions through Mr. Duncan K. MacTavish. The Commission had completed its report but it has not yet been tabled in the House of Commons. Future action by the Canadian Association of Exhibitions or the Western Canada Association of Exhibitions would depend somewhat on the recommendations of the Commission with respect to the collection of fees on attendances at Exhibitions by C.A.P.A.C.

Mr. Warren said that an article had appeared in Macleans Magazine on January 4th which indicated that the present Minister of Justice, Davie Fulton, was opposed to C.A.P.A.C. collecting fees from Agricultural Exhibitions. Mr. Warren outlined the history of legislation under the Copyright Act purporting to give Agricultural Exhibitions exemption from the payment of fees to C.A.P.A.C. Several amendments made to the Copyright Act to provide for an exemption for Exhibitions were ruled by the Courts, in specific cases, not to have done so. At the present time, Exhibitions are paying fees to C.A.P.A.C. based on attendances at the outside gates in accordance with the schedule of fees that is approved annually.

It was agreed that this matter be referred to the Resolutions Committee with the view of having a resolution framed that could be forwarded to the proper authorities when the recommendations of the Ilsley Commission report on the subject were known.

Following are the comments made on the subject to the meeting by Mr. Warren:

Copyright Act 1921 - This Act contains inter alia the following:

"17. Copyright of a work shall be deemed to be infringed by any person who, without the consent of the owner of the copyright, does anything the sole right to do which is by this Act conferred on the owner of the copyright:

Provided that the following acts shall not constitute an infringement of the copyright".

Various attempts were then made to provide that Exhibitions or Fairs such as we hold would not be subject to this tax, and the last amendment was when Clause (V11) was added in 1938 reading:

"The performance without motive of gain of any musical work at any agricultural, agricultural-industrial exhibition or fair, which receives a grant from or is held under Dominion, provincial or municipal authority, by the directors thereof."

Notwithstanding this effort of the Dominion Government to make the use of copyright music available at such exhibitions and fairs, the Courts have held that it does not have that effect, and the Toronto Exhibition as well as the western fairs have had judgments against them as a result.

"It seems that in view of an item that appeared in Maclean's Magazine of January 4th, 1958, in an article concerning Mr. D. Fulton, present Minister of Justice, that it may be an appropriate time to once more make representation to the Dominion Government to have this Clause (Vll) amended and to endeavour to make the same "air tight" by having the following clauses substituted in the place and stead of the present Clause (Vll), namely:

"(Vll) The performance of any musical work at any agricultural, industrial, or agricultural-industrial exhibition or fair which receives a grant or is under Dominion, provincial or municipal authority".

Or, if this was agreed to be too wide, the following:

"(Vll) The performance of any musical work at any agricultural, industrial or agricultural-industrial exhibition or fair which receives a grant from or is under Dominion, provincial or municipal authority, where the charter, by-laws, memorandum of association or articles of association of any such exhibition or fair provide that no part of the income or profit therefrom shall accrue to the benefit of any stockholder, director or member thereof."

8. FOREIGN EXHIBITS

T. H. McLeod raised the question of the importance to the Circuit of foreign exhibitors. He said that many inquiries were now being received from firms in foreign countries re exhibit space at large Exhibitions. One of the difficulties at the moment was to find space at all Exhibitions on the "A" Circuit for those who may wish to exhibit. However, he thought there should be some central place to which foreign exhibitors might write for information should they be interested in exhibiting on the Western Canada "A" Circuit. He said he was bringing this matter before the meeting so that all Exhibitions could keep the importance of foreign exhibits in mind.

9. APPLICATION OF RED RIVER EXHIBITION ASSOCIATION, WINNIPEG, FOR MEMBERSHIP

Mr. R. C. Leatherdale made representations for the inclusion of the Red River Exhibition Association, Winnipeg, as a member in the Association. He said that he had forwarded a brief, outlining what the Red River Exhibition was doing, to the President. He said that in 1957 the Exhibition came close to awarding the necessary prize money for agricultural classes, which had to be awarded for a period of three years in order to qualify as a Class "A" Fair. He hoped that they would be able to distribute the necessary prize money this year so that in the course of three years they would qualify for "A" rating. His Fair last year drew an attendance of 125,000 people for a period of six days. If they were granted membership, he felt sure that they would gain a great deal from such membership and might be able to contribute something of value to the Association. He said the Exhibition started approximately six years ago as a small Fair under the sponsorship of the Kinsmen Club. When the Club realized it was getting too big an operation for a Service Club, an Executive of sixteen members was set up, five or six of whom are members of the Kinsmen Club. The Fair has been operated in the old Osborne Stadium, at Polo Park, and latterly at the Winnipeg Arena. There was a possibility that in time the Exhibition might tie in with the new race track that was now being constructed in Winnipeg. The Royal American Shows was the Midway attraction but they had a different Grandstand program from the rest of the "A" Circuit. Presently, shares in the organization are owned by the Kinsmen Club but the latter have, by letter, indicated their willingness to turn the shares over to any suitable organization prepared to, and capable of taking over.

It was pointed out to Mr. Leatherdale that an associate membership would enable the Red River Exhibition to belong to the Association, until it could better qualify for full membership, and Mr. Leatherdale agreed that the type of membership they were looking for was probably an associate membership. He stated that the group now sponsoring the Red River Exhibition was incorporated under the Companies Act of Manitoba. They were a non-profit organization.

Having made their representations, the Winnipeg delegation was asked to withdraw while the matter was under discussion by the Association. After considerable discussion, in which all phases of the Red River Operation were considered, it was agreed to accept the Red River Exhibition Association as an associate member for 1958.

This information was conveyed to Mr. Leatherdale, after which he and the other representatives from the Red River Exhibition were welcomed into the Association as associate members and granted the privilege of attending all meetings and sessions of the Convention.

11. ADJOURNMENT

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3.30 p.m.

1. R.C.M.P. MUSICAL RIDE

2. NEW TYPE OF GRANDSTAND SHOW

3. MUSICAL DIRECTOR FOR GRANDSTAND SHOWS

The Chairman read a letter written by H. G. Turner, Secretary of the Musicians' Union, Edmonton, on November 5th, 1957, to W. J. Connelly, Chairman of the Edmonton Attractions Committee, requesting the delegates to Chicago, when planning their 1958 attractions program, to recommend Frank Furlette as Musical Director as he had been directing the Attractions Band very successfully for many years. Mr. Turner stated that although Ernie Young, of GAC-Hamid, Inc. had first call on Mr. Furlette's services, he was a free agent and was available to whatever agency obtained the attractions contract. Mr. Turner stated that the Musicians were particularly anxious that Mr. Furlette be retained as

Musical Director because of the co-operative way in which he worked with local musicians. It was agreed that the Secretary write Mr. Turner to tell him that the contents of his letter to Mr. Connelly had been brought to Mr. Hetzer's attention at the Chicago meeting.

4. HELITHRILLER SKY-MASTER

This act, which will be appearing in Calgary, was offered to the Circuit on the following basis: \$6,250 if appearing in Calgary only; \$5,750 for two consecutive engagements; \$5,500 for four consecutive engagements. It was agreed that the individual Fairs, if interested, should contact the owners of the act.

5. PRINCESS MARGARET'S VISIT

It was stated that invitations had gone forward to those making arrangements for Princess Margaret's visit to Canada to have her appear at some of the Exhibitions on the Western "A" Circuit. However, it was learned that the dates of her visit to British Columbia would likely preclude her from being able to visit any of the Fairs.

6. SONNEBORN GIANT BALLOONS

A representative of Sonneborn Giant Balloons was advised to take up the question of his balloons appearing at the Fairs with the individual Managers.

BUFFET DINNER

5.30 p.m.

Delegates were guests of Mr. J. B. Cross at a Buffet Dinner at the Calgary Brewing and Malting Company.

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WESTERN BREAKFAST

Saturday, January 18

Delegates were guests of the Calgary Exhibition and Stampede at a Western Breakfast in the Sun Parlour of the Palliser Hotel at 8.00 a.m.

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RACE COMMITTEE MEETING

Saturday, January 18, 1958

10.00 a.m.

CHAIRMAN - Charles Kennedy, Calgary

SECRETARY - I. W. Parsons, Calgary

A. J. Anderson outlined briefly the steps leading up to the organization of the Western Canada Racing Association - and the details of organization completed during the last year. He pointed out that differences of opinion have been ironed out and that the relationship of the members is on a very harmonious basis.

Mr. Anderson's report was adopted on motion of Mr. MacEachern and Mr. Parslow.

It was agreed, on motion of Mr. McLeod and Mr. MacEachern, that Regina and Saskatoon express their appreciation to Edmonton and Calgary for the consideration extended to them in the organization of the Western Canada Racing Association.

In response to a question from the Meeting, Mr. Anderson outlined negotiations which have taken place with regard to 1958 race purses. He pointed out that last year an average of 57.22% of take was paid in purses on the Circuit and it was thought that agreement for 1958 could be reached in the neighborhood of 57%, with Edmonton paying a slightly higher percentage than last year and the other members a slightly lower percentage, and with Edmonton again transferring a portion of its purses to other points in order to maintain a \$1,000.00 minimum. He stated that it was the feeling with the W.C.R.A. that it might be preferable not to rush into a purse settlement until after Winnipeg has settled with the H.B.P.A.

It was moved by Dr. Salisbury and Mr. Parslow that the Western Canada Association be authorized to proceed with negotiations for purses for 1958. The motion was carried after further discussion of the stake book now being issued, in which Regina and Saskatoon pointed out that they could not guarantee \$1,000.00 minimum purses on the basis of their own take without the assistance proffered by Edmonton.

Mr. Anderson pointed out that the five-year agreement between the Members and Western Totalisator expires this year and that the rate charged at Edmonton and Calgary will be increased from $\frac{1}{2}$ of 1% to $\frac{3}{4}$ of 1% on the first \$150,000. of pari-mutuel play each day, and $\frac{1}{2}$ of 1% thereafter. Saskatoon had an option in their previous contract to renew it at the old rate of $\frac{1}{2}$ of 1% and Western Totalisator did not propose to increase the rate at Regina. Mr. McLeod expressed the feeling, on behalf of Regina, that all members should pay the same rate and that at the end of the season the total charge should be pro-rated on the basis of pari-mutuel play. After further discussion, it was moved by Mr. Adams and Mr. Courtney that the matter be referred to the Western Canada Racing Association for whatever action is seen fit. Carried.

Mr. Anderson stated that he had hoped that a complete report on the operation of the P.T.B.R.A. could have been presented at the meeting but that Mr. F. L. Smith, the Secretary-Treasurer, had not come to the meeting because he felt that such a report could be made better after the P.T.B.R.A. Meeting in April which will decide the future method of operation of the Association. The Members expressed satisfaction with the work the P.T.B.R.A. is doing but felt that they would like to know more about the operation. P.T.B.R.A. Directors present at the meeting stated that they would see that the information is made available to the Members.

Mr. Anderson outlined 1958 racing dates which will provide 114 days racing commencing in Calgary, May 10th, and finishing in Winnipeg, Sept. 24th. On motion of Mr. Anderson and Mr. Courtney, these dates were approved.

Prior to adjournment, the Meeting moved a vote of thanks to the Chairman.

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LIVESTOCK COMMITTEE MEETING

Saturday, January 18, 1958

2.00 p.m.

CHAIRMAN - P. A. McPhail, Brandon

SECRETARY - T. H. McLeod, Regina

DAIRY CATTLE CLASSIFICATION

The Chairman stated that a communication had been received from Dairy Breed Association representatives who met in Saskatoon, July 24, 1957, asking the Fairs on the Class "A" Circuit to adopt a uniform classification for dairy cattle. Several classes were suggested, some of which were already being offered by some of the Fairs. It was agreed that all of the Class "A" Fairs should adopt a uniform classification. However, two classes, one for 4 year old cows, not in milk, and one for 4 year old cows, in milk, requested by the dairy breeds representatives, were not agreed to, the feeling being that since there was already a class for cows "4 years of age and over" the aged cow was adequately taken care of.

It was agreed that the Senior Get of Sire should consist of 3 animals, where now it is 4, and that these animals should be owned, although not necessarily bred by the exhibitor. All of the animals were to be over 2 years of age, with not more than one a male.

It was agreed that the Junior Get of Sire should consist of 3 animals, all under 2 years of age, not more than one a male, and all to be bred and owned by the exhibitor.

It was agreed that the Junior Herd consist of a bull and 3 females, all under 2 years of age, females to be bred and owned by the exhibitor.

BEEF CATTLE CLASSIFICATION

Suggested changes in the beef cattle classification came before the committee from the Calgary Exhibition. These included the elimination of the class for female with a calf at foot; change in the class for 3 calves to a class for 2 calves, one of each sex, and changes in the ages of the Junior and Summer

Yearling and Calf classes. The changes suggested for the latter classes would make the entries in each three to six months older than was the case under the present classification.

After considerable discussion, there was a majority agreement that recommendations regarding changes in the classification of beef breeds be entertained hereafter only if coming from the Joint Beef Breeds Committee.

FUTURITY SHOWS

A discussion took place on Futurity Shows, Edmonton and Brandon reporting excellent success in staging these shows. Saskatoon had just had its first Futurity Show for the Shorthorn breed and was seeking information on the value of this type of show. General agreement was that these shows to be successful should have the complete support of the breeders and the breed associations.

CLASSIFICATION FOR LANDRACE HOGS

It was reported that some of the swine breeders were anxious to have a separate classification set up for Landrace Hogs. It was stated that one or two of the Alberta Fairs had a separate classification already. The general opinion was that since several breeds of swine now compete against each other at most of the Fairs under the general classification of bacon type, the Landrace breed should be expected to compete similarly. If a separate classification were made for the Landrace breed, then the other breeds now showing together would likely request separate classifications.

CORRESPONDENCE

(a) A letter received from Cam Williamson, Brandon, requesting an appointment as Junior Judge at the Light Horse Shows sponsored by the Fairs, was read by the Chairman. It was agreed that this matter be left for decision to the individual Fairs.

(b) A letter was read from the Alberta Safety Council advising that it was organizing a Western Farm Safety Conference at a meeting in Edmonton, on January 30-31, and requesting that all Fairs on the Circuit promote farm safety by offering competitions in tractor driving. It was reported that several Fairs were already conducting competitions in tractor driving and that at least two of the Fairs Extension Departments had demonstrated some of the faults in tractor driving that lead to accidents. It was generally agreed that every assistance should be given to the Alberta Safety Council and to the newly formed Western Safety Conference in promoting information and training which would lead to a reduction in farm accidents.

The meeting adjourned.

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DINNER

Saturday, January 18, 1958

6.00 p.m.

Delegates were guests of the Calgary Exhibition and Stampede at Fort Calgary House following a tour of the new Agricultural Building.

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MIDWAY AND CONCESSIONS COMMITTEE MEETING

Sunday, January 19, 1958

11.00 a.m.

CHAIRMAN - E. J. Courtney, Regina

1. BUILD-UP GAMES

The Chairman said that this item was on the agenda because at the mid-summer meeting, after a discussion on this subject, the suggestion was made that the Association make it clear to the Royal American Shows that anything in the nature of a Build-Up game should be eliminated from the show. Mr. England stated that there was at the present time a resolution on the books that no build-up games be allowed and he did not know that anything further could be

done. Since Whitey Weiss had been managing the concessions, he said, things had been much more satisfactory and it was hoped that this condition would continue. Representatives of other Fairs generally agreed with this statement.

2. AUCTION SALES

It was reported by the Managers of the five Fairs that there had been no complaints with regard to the auction sales in 1957 and the feeling generally was that Mr. Harris was endeavoring to carry on the operation of this concession in a satisfactory manner.

3. DONATION SHOWS

Discussion on Donation Shows indicated that some were permitted on the independent midway by most of the Fairs. It was generally agreed that the matter was a local one for each Fair insofar as Donation Shows on the independent midway were concerned. However, because of past discussions with Mr. Sedlmayr, of the Royal American Shows, re Donation Shows, it was agreed on motion of F. G. England and H. L. Crawford that Donation Shows on the Royal American Shows Midway be restricted to two.

4. DREAM HOMES

It was agreed that the operation of a Dream Home concession was something for each individual Fair to decide.

5. DEFAULTING CONCESSIONAIRES

A discussion took place with respect to concessionaires that failed to pay their concession rental, and concessionaires who took advantage of Exhibition exhibit space for the purpose of carrying out racket operations. With respect to the first, it was agreed that if Exhibitions, where defaults in payment had taken place, notified other Exhibitions, the concessionaire would not be permitted to operate until he had paid his concession rental at the Fair where default took place. With respect to the latter type of concessionaire, it was agreed that the Managers should discuss the matter at one of their meetings and decide on a uniform set of regulations to deal effectively with this type of operation.

6. ROYAL AMERICAN SHOWS

Mr. C. J. Sedlmayr said he appreciated very much indeed the fact that the contract for the 1958 Midway had again been awarded to the Royal American Shows at the time of last year's mid-summer meeting in Regina. This year, he said, they would be presenting the most powerful show the Class "A" Fairs had ever had. There would be two new features - "The Rotor", a combination show and ride, and the "Wild Mouse" which was now being built in Chicago. This would be a terrific ride, similar to the Roller Coaster.

Mr. Sedlmayr submitted the following Shows and Rides for the 1958 Exhibitions:

SHOWS - Glass House; Fun House; Ghost Trail; Side Show; Snake Show; Motordrome; Harlem-In-Havana; Girl Show; Fat Show; Rotor Show; Monkey Show.

RIDES - Merry-Go-Round; Four Ferris Wheels; Scrambler; Caterpillar; Rocket Ride; Two Rolloplanes; Tilt-A-Whirl; Dodgem; Looper; Fly-O-Plane; Octopus; Twister; Large Coaster Ride; Round-Up; Wild Mouse.

KIDDIE RIDES - Kiddie Autos; Miniature Train; Live Ponies; Jolly Caterpillar; Helicopter; Baby Ferris Wheel; Boat Ride; Tank Ride; Sky Fighter; Choo-Choo.

The Chairman brought to the attention of Mr. Sedlmayr the discussion that had taken place, prior to his coming into the meeting, with respect to Donation Shows and Build-Up Games. Regarding the Donation Shows, Mr. Sedlmayr stated that they did not have any the last two years because he was told by the Circuit to eliminate this type of show. With regard to Build-Up Games, instructions were issued to gaming concession personnel to play only for 25¢, 50¢ and \$1.00, with the restriction that no player be permitted to lose more than a total of \$20.00. If a build-up was undertaken and losses of more than \$20.00 incurred and this was discovered, the concessionaire responsible was fired, and once fired he would not be permitted to operate on the Royal American Shows Midway again. Mr. Sedlmayr stated that more merchandise had been given out last year from gaming concessions than in any previous year.

The meeting adjourned.

FINAL GENERAL SESSION

SUNDAY, January 19, 1958

2.00 p.m.

CHAIRMAN - F. C. Manning, Calgary, President

1. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Attractions - Wm. Muir, Edmonton, reported on the Attractions Committee Meeting as follows:

(a) Information was received from Calgary and Edmonton with regard to costs and dates of the R.C.M.P. Musical Ride.

(b) The Secretary was instructed to write Mr. H. G. Turner, of the Musicians Union, advising him that his request regarding the employment of Mr. Frank Furlette had been brought to the attention of the successful bidder on the Grandstand Show.

(c) Information regarding The Helithriller Sky-Master was given by Calgary to the other members of the Circuit.

(d) The meeting was informed that Calgary and Edmonton had corresponded with the Secretary of State regarding Princess Margaret's Canadian visit, with the hope of having her attend during their Exhibitions.

(e) The hardy perennial "New Type Of Show" discussion occupied most of the meeting and it was agreed that a thorough analysis of this year's show would be made by each Exhibition and be discussed fully at Regina in July.

Mr. Muir moved the adoption of the report. This was seconded by H. G. Love, and Carried.

Midway and Concessions - E. J. Courtney, Regina, reported that there was nothing contentious insofar as the Midway and Concessions Departments were concerned. There had been discussions pertaining to the Build-Up Games, Dream Homes and various other activities of the Midway and Concessions. One point in particular worthy of note, which was agreed to by the Managers, was that concessionaires who were getting into the Fair Grounds, probably under false pretences, should be carefully watched and a stop put to this type of operation as it caused a lot of bad publicity. Mr. Sedlmayr, who had been awarded the contract for the 1958 Midway, assured the members that he would be bringing a first class Midway, including one or more new rides.

Mr. Courtney moved the adoption of the report. This was seconded by Mr. Crawford, and Carried.

Racing - Chas. Kennedy, Calgary, reported on the Race Committee Meeting. It was agreed, on motion of A. J. Anderson and Dr. F. G. Salisbury, that the report be adopted. (See report on Pages 13 and 14).

Livestock - T. H. McLeod, Regina, reported on the Livestock Committee Meeting and moved the adoption of the report. This was seconded by P. A. McPhail, and Carried. (See report on Pages 14 and 15).

Resolutions - F. O. Meighen, Brandon, on behalf of the Resolutions Committee, submitted the following:

RESOLVED: That this Association tender to the Management and Staff of the Palliser Hotel its thanks for the courteous and efficient service they have rendered to this Convention.

RESOLVED: That this Association express its appreciation of the splendid coverage given the Convention by the local Press, Radio and T.V. Stations.

RESOLVED: That this Association extend its thanks to the representatives of the Canadian National and Canadian Pacific Railways for their friendly and helpful co-operation.

RESOLVED: That this Association voice its appreciation to Bill King, of King Show Print, Estevan, for the many courtesies extended to it.

RESOLVED: That this Association express its sincere thanks to the Marks Brothers, the efficient Sergeants-At-Arm, for their usual invaluable assistance given at all of the meetings.

Mr. Meighen moved the adoption of this part of the report. This was seconded by A. M. McIntyre, and Carried.

RE: COPYRIGHT MUSIC

BE IT RESOLVED that the members of the Western Canada Association of Exhibitions are of the opinion that the time is now opportune for representation to be made to the Dominion Government to the end that Clause (Vll) of Section 17 of The Copyright Act be repealed and the following substituted in its place and stead:

"(Vll) The performance of any musical work at any Agricultural, Industrial or Agricultural Industrial Exhibition or Fair which receives a grant from or is under Dominion or Provincial authority, where the Charter, By-laws, Memorandum of Association or Articles of Association of any such Exhibition or Fair provide that no part of the income or profit therefrom shall accrue to the benefit of any stockholder, director or member thereof"

And that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Canadian Association of Exhibitions urging early presentation of the suggested amendment to the proper officials of the Dominion Government for their attention.

And that Class "B" Fairs be requested to endorse and approve such suggested amendment.

Mr. Meighen moved the adoption of this report. This was seconded by J. H. Warren, and Carried.

2. LOCALE 1959 CONVENTION

L. P. Bromham, on behalf of the Edmonton Exhibition, extended an invitation to the members of the Association to hold their 1959 Convention in Edmonton. Calgary, he said, had set a pretty high standard this year but Edmonton would make every endeavor to see that the meetings were both profitable and enjoyable. It was agreed that Edmonton's generous invitation be accepted. Dates set for the meeting to be held at the Macdonald Hotel were Jany. 16-17-18. Some discussion took place as to whether the Convention should be for three days or two days. It was finally agreed that the matter be left with the Executive to determine whether the length of the Agenda would require a three or a two day Convention.

3. LOCALE 1960 CONVENTION

S. N. MacEachern extended a cordial invitation to the members of the Association to hold their 1960 Convention in Saskatoon. Dates for this Convention were not set.

4. ELECTION OF OFFICERS - The following Officers were elected for 1958:

Honorary Presidents - F. G. England, Regina, and C. M. Baker, Calgary, were re-elected Honorary Presidents on motion of S. N. MacEachern and J. H. Warren. In accepting the office, Mr. England said he again wished to express to the delegates present his most sincere thanks. He considered it a high honor to be Honorary President of an organization such as the Western Canada Association of Exhibitions. He congratulated the five Western Canada Class "A" Fairs, and their Managers, for the success they had attained during the past year.

President - E. I. Clarke, Edmonton, was elected President on motion of T. H. McLeod and P. A. McPhail. Mr. Clarke expressed his appreciation for the honor conferred upon him and the opportunity to serve the Association during the coming year. He asked Mr. Manning to remain in the Chair for the balance of the meeting.

Vice-President - Dr. V. E. Graham, Saskatoon, was elected Vice-President on motion of E. J. Courtney and Dr. F. G. Salisbury. Dr. Graham said that he was very happy that the 1960 Convention would be held in Saskatoon and he was very pleased to accept the office of Vice-President. He would do his best to carry on the good work and service that had been established.

Secretary-Treasurer - Mrs. Letta Walsh, Saskatoon, was re-elected Secretary Treasurer of the Association on motion of S. N. MacEachern and T. H. McLeod.

Auditors - It was agreed, on motion of A. M. McIntyre and Dr. F. G. Salisbury, that G. G. Patrick & Company, Saskatoon, continue as the Association's Auditors for the year 1958.

5. MID-SUMMER MEETING

It was agreed, on motion of A. J. Anderson and P. A. McPhail, that the invitation of T. H. McLeod, Manager of the Regina Exhibition, to hold the mid-summer meeting in Regina on July 31st this year be accepted.

6. DATES OF CHICAGO MEETING

It was agreed, on motion of S. N. MacEachern and A. J. Anderson, that the dates of the Association's meeting in Chicago for 1958 be set for November 30, December 1-2-3.

7. PRESENTATION OF PLAQUE TO PAST PRESIDENT - W. F. McGregor

President F. C. Manning, in asking P. A. McPhail, of Brandon, to accept the Past President's Plaque being presented to W. F. McGregor, who served as President of the Association in 1956 and who was unable to attend the Convention, said that Mr. McGregor was a long-time farmer in the Brandon area and did an excellent job as President of the Western Canada Association of Exhibitions, and also as President of the Brandon Exhibition. He expressed regret that Mr. McGregor was unable to attend the meeting and he felt sure that Mr. McPhail would pass on to Mr. McGregor the sentiments of appreciation expressed in the making of the presentation.

Mr. McPhail, on behalf of Mr. McGregor, said that he knew Mr. McGregor would consider it a great honor to be presented with the Plaque. He would pass on to him the expression of appreciation by the President for his work as President of the Western Canada Association of Exhibitions.

8. APPRECIATION

Wm. Muir, of Edmonton, expressed the Association's thanks to Calgary for the excellent entertainment provided during the Convention. Mr. Muir asked the Calgary Directors to line up at the President's table while expressing appreciation. He said that the Edmonton fellows would find themselves in a difficult spot in 1959 to duplicate what Calgary had done this year. He complimented President Manning on the smooth manner in which he had handled the meetings, and Charlie Kennedy for the excellent arrangements made for the Convention and for his direction of the entertainment features which were such long-to-be-remembered highlights of the Convention.

Mr. Manning, speaking for Calgary, said it was a delight for the Calgary group to have had the Convention in Calgary and thanked all those who assisted him in making his year in office a success. He said it was wonderful to see how five groups of Fairs, with varying opinions on the problems that presented themselves from time to time, eventually reached such complete unanimity. He wished his successor in office, Ed. Clarke, every success for the coming year.

Stewart C. Millett, of the Red River Exhibition, Winnipeg, extended his Association's thanks to the Western Canada "A" Circuit for admitting the Red River as an Associate Member. He said his Association realized that it had not too much to contribute as yet but he felt sure that as time went on it would be able to make a fair contribution. He said his Association would be only too glad to assist the Western Canada Association of Exhibitions in any way it could.

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned on motion of A. J. Anderson and T. H. McLeod.

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WESTERN CANADA ASSOCIATION OF EXHIBITIONS

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FROM DEC. 31st, 1956, to DEC. 31st, 1957.

RECEIPTS

<u>Membership Fees</u>		
Brandon	\$300.00	
Calgary	300.00	
Edmonton	300.00	
Saskatoon	300.00	
Regina	300.00	
Pacific National Exhibition	<u>50.00</u>	\$1,550.00
<u>Advertising</u>		
Brandon (Joint Advertisement)	111.52	
Calgary " "	111.52	
Edmonton " "	111.52	
Saskatoon " "	111.52	
Regina " "	<u>111.52</u>	557.60
<u>Tax on Shows, Rides and Concessions</u>		
Brandon	1,392.85	
Calgary	1,671.43	
Edmonton	1,671.43	
Saskatoon	1,671.43	
Regina	<u>1,671.43</u>	8,078.57
<u>TOTAL RECEIPTS</u>		\$10,186.17
Bank Balance, December 31st, 1956,	<u>270.44</u>	<u>\$10,456.61</u>

DISBURSEMENTS

<u>Expenses - Annual Meeting</u>		
Mrs. Letta Walsh, Brandon	59.35	
" " " Chicago	235.29	
Sherman Hotel (Rental, Meeting Room, Chicago)	105.00	
Printing, Stationery, Typewriter Rental, Etc.	<u>82.05</u>	481.69
<u>Mid-Summer Meeting, Regina</u>		
Mrs. Letta Walsh, Secretary	<u>30.50</u>	30.50
<u>Advertising</u>		
The Billboard	595.34	
Greater Show World	<u>17.10</u>	612.44
<u>Miscellaneous</u>		
Royal American Shows (Tax)	8,078.57	
Calgary Exhibition (Re: W.A.Crawford-Frost)	10.00	
Modern Press (Stationery)	48.27	
Strath Craft (Plaques)	6.50	
Postage, Telegrams & Telephones	69.55	
Exchange	<u>2.20</u>	8,215.09
<u>Honorarium</u>		
Mrs. Letta Walsh	<u>400.00</u>	400.00
<u>Audit Fee</u>		
G.G. Patrick & Co.	<u>15.00</u>	<u>15.00</u>
<u>TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS</u>		\$9,754.72
Bank Balance, December 31st, 1957,	<u>701.89</u>	<u>\$10,456.61</u>

I certify that the foregoing is a correct statement of the Receipts and Disbursements of the Western Canada Association of Exhibitions for the year ended December 31st, 1957, according to the entries in the books and the vouchers supporting same.

Saskatoon, January 13th, 1958.

G.G. Patrick, F.C.A.
Auditor.

PAST PRESIDENTS — WESTERN CANADA ASSOCIATION OF EXHIBITIONS

1923	H. A. Knight, Regina
1924	A. R. McLennan, Edmonton
1925	L. G. Calder, Saskatoon
1926	J. E. Rettie, Brandon
1927	N. J. Christie, Calgary
1928	P. W. Abbott, Edmonton
1929	Archie Wilson, Saskatoon
1930	H. G. Smith, Regina
1931	N. W. Kerr, Brandon
1932	C. M. Baker, Calgary
1933	P. W. Abbott, Edmonton
1934	A. M. McIntyre, Saskatoon
1935	J. F. Lunney, Regina
1936	J. E. Rettie, Brandon
1937	E. L. Richardson, Calgary
1938	F. W. Kemp, Edmonton
1939	John A. East, Saskatoon
1940	Fred Robinson, Regina
1941	H. A. McNeill, Brandon
1942	A. H. McGuire, Calgary
1943	C. E. Wilson, Edmonton
1944	J. H. Warren, Saskatoon
1945	Nate Andre, Regina
1946	W. Davidson, Brandon
1947	W. A. Crawford-Frost, Calgary
1948	Lee S. Williams, Edmonton
1949	Dr. F. G. Salisbury, Saskatoon
1950	D. A. R. McCannel, Regina
1951	Alex McPhail, Brandon
1952	Geo. Edworthy, Calgary
1953	W. Muir, Edmonton
1954	S. N. MacEachern, Saskatoon
1955	C. B. McKee, Regina
1956	W. F. McGregor, Brandon
1957	F. C. Manning, Calgary

